

## Message Text

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R 190715Z FEB 77  
FM AMEMBASSY MBABANE  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 1175  
AMEMBASSY GABORONE  
INFO AMEMBASSY MASERU  
AMEMBASSY PRETORIA  
AMCONSUL CAPE TOWN  
USMISSION GENEVA  
USMISSION USUN NEW YORK

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CAPE TOWN FOR EMBASSY, GENEVA FOR HA

E.O.11652: N/A  
TAGS: SREF, WZ  
SUBJECT: VISIT OF UN SPECIAL MISSION

1. UN MISSION HEADED BY ASSISTANT SECRETARY GENERAL FARAH LEFT  
SWAZILAND FEBRUARY 17 FOR BOTSWANA AFTER THREE-DAY VISIT THAT  
INCLUDED MEETINGS WITH GOS, REPRESENTATIVES OF VOLUNTARY AGENCIES, AN  
D  
REFUGEES. IN BRIEF SPEECH AT RECEPTION HONORING MISSION ON  
DEPARTURE, FOREIGN MINISTER COLONEL MAPHEVU SAID GOS  
"LOOKING FORWARD TO RECEIVING WHAT ASSISTANCE THE INTERNATIONAL  
COMMUNITY WILL GIVE." IN HIS REPLY, FARAH  
EXPRESSED HOPE THAT, ON BASIS OF HIS  
RECOMMENDATIONS TO SYG, IT WOULD BE POSSIBLE TO GENERATE  
PROGRAM OF ASSISTANCE TO REFUGEE. HE  
CLOSED WITH APPEAL FOR NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS  
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TO DO ALL THEY CAN TO AMELIORATE CONDITIONS  
OF REFUGEES.

2. MOST SIGNIFICANT FROM EMBASSY'S STANDPOINT WAS CHANGE  
IN UNHCR THINKING, CONVEYED PRIVATELY TO CHARGE BY GENEVA-BASED  
UNHCR OFFICIAL HOMANN-HERIMBERG WHO ACCOMPANIED  
FARAH, TO EFFECT THAT UNHCR MAY ASSIGN

JUNIOR PROFESSIONAL OFFICER TO SWAZILAND TO  
PERFORM LIAISON FUNCTIONS BETWEEN GOS AND REFUGEES.  
OFFICER WOULD BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ASSURING THAT CONTACT  
MAINTAINED WITH REFUGEES (IN CONTRAST  
TO CURRENT SITUATION IN WHICH THEY  
VIRTUALLY IGNORED EXCEPT WHEN VISITED BY  
BOTSWANA-BASED OR GENEVA-BASED  
PERSONNEL) AND THAT REFUGEES RECEIVE AT LEAST MINIMAL  
COUNSELING ON EDUCATIONAL AND  
OTHER OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE TO THEM.  
LIAISON OFFICER SHOULD BE IN GOOD POSITION  
TO MONITOR REFUGEE INFLUX TRENDS AND TO ALERT  
UNHCR (AND OTHERS INCLUDING EMBASSY MBABANE)  
TO SPECIAL ACTION REQUIREMENTS AS THEY ARISE.  
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## Message Attributes

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